28 Notting Hill Square, W.
London, Feb. 3. 1865

Dear Sir,

I have today read your article on my Card. I have no disposition to say more on the subject. — I wish however privately to say two things: — 1. It must have been by a miscarriage that the "Card" did not reach you the Liberator as soon as it did the Commonwealth. 2. The $100 sent by Gerritt Smith was in a checque carefully made payable to you, and your name had to be placed on it before it could be drawn. Mr. Smith will confirm this, & also the letter (which is preserved) in which he says that he still wishes you to go, but if not you are to apply it at your discretion to sending me. All of which was laid before you when you endorsed the checque. Thus in saying that this statement of mine is "wholly incorrect" you have done me injustice, — which however I shall not correct, since I have no heart for a personal controversy, at a time when the great Cause is suffering for every nerve & sinew that can be applied to it. I have no personal ill-will to you nor to any man, though I am filled with pain and sorrow that you should have nominated Mr Lincoln, when a united abolition phalanx might have gained us at Baltimore the best radical republican in America. Yours &c M. D. Conway.

A letter of extravagant praise written by you concerning me & my visit here to some one, — & read at a public meeting, would, did I reprint it, show whether "enthusiasm" or "friendly spirit" expresses truliest your feeling in the matter at that time. M. D. C.